



#12/C
LB
6/22/01

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States
Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to
Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

H. C. Chan
H. C. Chan

June 14, 2001
Date

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hark Chan) Examiner: William D. Cumming
Serial No.: 09/188,157)
Filed: November 8, 1998) Group Art Unit: 2684
For: Information Distribution System)

AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2001, please amend the above-captioned patent application shown below. Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (Twice Amended). A method for distributing digital data to a plurality of remote sites each having a processing device and a display device, comprising the steps of:

generating a first set of digital data;

encoding each of a plurality of portable read-only storage devices with said first set of digital data;

distributing said plurality of storage devices to said plurality of remote sites;

providing a database containing a second set of digital data and remotely communicating with said sites using communication channels;

said first set of digital data comprising a first set of displayable data, a plurality of formatting codes, a second set of displayable data, a first non-displayable data, a non-displayable first linkage reference, and a second non-displayable data, said second set of displayable data

06/26/2001 LBADIE 00000003 031243 09188157

02 FC:115 110.00 CH
03 FC:103 108.00 CH
04 FC:102 80.00 CH

1
24

C

RECEIVED
JUN 22 2001
Technology Center 2600
RECEIVED